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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, each document listed on the accompanying substitute PTO Form 1449 is called to the attention of the Examiner for the above patent application. A copy of each listed document is enclosed. Further enclosed is an English abstract of Japanese Patent Publication 7-226643.

One of the two cited documents is U.S. patent application 09/903,059 discussed in the specification of the present application and mentioned in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted 23 January 2003. To the extent that application 09/903,059 may not have been previously called to the Examiner's attention in connection with the present application in such a manner as to obligate the Examiner to consider U.S. application in examining the present application, application 09/903,059 is here officially called to the Examiner's attention in connection with the present application.

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Japanese Patent Publication 7-226643 was cited during the prosecution of application 09/903,059.

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